

## Helping You Help Yourself to Justice

The Van Nuys Self-Help Legal Access Center was created to help you help yourself. We will provide you with legal information, however, we will NOT give you legal advice. We can help you with how to file a lawsuit, NOT if you should file a lawsuit.

We will provide you with educational materials, one-on-one assistance and referrals to legal and non-legal resources so that you can learn how to navigate the court system and understand the judicial process.

The Van Nuys Self-Help Legal Access Center is a "drop-in" Clinic. Guests will be assisted in order of arriving at the Center.



### Days and Hours of Operation

Open Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. to noon  
and  
1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

No Appointment Necessary

Van Nuys Blvd.	Victory Blvd.	
	Sylmar	
	Sylvan	*Center Courthouse

The Center is located at 6280  
Sylmar Ave., Van Nuys, adjacent  
to the Van Nuys Government  
Center

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*A joint project of  
Los Angeles Superior Court,  
San Fernando Valley  
Bar Association,  
and  
Neighborhood Legal Services*

## Help Completing Legal Forms



The Van Nuys Self-Help Legal Access Center's staff can help you complete legal forms and tell you about your legal options. The Center staff will also help you understand court rules and procedures, but you will need to make your own decisions about how to handle your case. Please bring copies of all your paper work with you.

The Center can help you with:

- ♦ Evictions
- ♦ Small Claims Court
- ♦ Divorces, Paternity Actions
- ♦ Other Civil Matters

The Center cannot help you with:

- ♦ Immigration
- ♦ Bankruptcy
- ♦ Criminal Matters

The Center can also refer you to other agencies that may be able to help you, including agencies that provide legal representation, mediation and counseling services.

## Self-Help Materials



The Van Nuys Self-Help Legal Access Center has a library with several user-friendly books, as well as brochures, and pamphlets on many legal subjects. Topics include landlord/tenant law, family law, small claims court, neighbor disputes and general civil litigation.

We will help you look for the legal information you need to help yourself. The Center also has Internet access and computerized court forms available for your use.

## We Can Help You

Our services are free to residents of Los Angeles County.

## About the Center

The Center is part of a creative public outreach project undertaken to improve access to justice for all members of the community.

For more information call:  
(818) 896 -5211.

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